

Dear Parent/Carer

As you may be aware, the Scottish Government recently announced Pupil Equity Funding for schools across Scotland. From April this year £120 million will be provided directly to school leaders with a focus on closing the poverty related attainment gap. The Pupil Equity Funding will be allocated to schools based on the number of pupils from Primary 1 to Secondary 3 who are eligible and registered for free school meals with schools receiving around £1200 per pupil who is registered. This is available for the financial year 2017/2018. For Catrine this equates to £26,400. On examining these figures there may not be as many entitled families in Catrine applying for this free school grant.

Funding must provide targeted support for children and young people affected by poverty to achieve their full potential. Parents/carers, young people and other stakeholders will have a key role in planning how the funding can be used. With this in mind we would welcome the views of parents as to how this money should be spent. If you wish to express a view this can be done by completing the comment box below.

More information on individual school funding allocation is available on the following website:

<http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Education/Schools/Raisingeducationalattainment/pupilequityfund/Schoolallocations>

Regards,

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